

§ 1728.70 Procurement of materials.

(a) *By Owner.* When purchasing the type of materials included in the List of Materials, RUS borrowers shall purchase only materials listed in the List of Materials, or materials which have a current technical acceptance by RUS and meet the "Buy American" requirement.

(b) *By Contractor.* When performing work for an RUS borrower, contractors shall supply only items from the general acceptance pages of the List of Materials, or obtain the borrower's concurrence prior to purchase and use of a technically nondomestic item or any item listed on a conditional basis.

(c) *Procurement of Unlisted Items.* (1) The borrower shall request prior approval from RUS for use of an item that does not fall in categories established by RUS in the List of Materials for which acceptability has been established by the Technical Standards Committees.

(2) RUS will also determine, on a case-by-case basis, whether to allow use of an unlisted item in emergency situations and for experimental use or to meet a specific need. For purposes of this part 1728, an emergency shall mean a situation wherein the supply of listed material and equipment from the industry is not readily available, or the standard designs are not applicable to the borrower's specific problem under consideration.

(3) RUS will make arrangements for test or experimental use of newly developed items requiring limited trial use. RUS, working with the borrower and the manufacturer, will establish test locations for the items to facilitate installation and observation.

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§ 1728.97 Incorporation by reference of electric standards and specifications.

(a) The following electric bulletins have been approved for incorporation by reference by the Director of the Office of the Federal Register. The bulletins containing construction standard (50-1 to 50-14) and Bulletin 50-18 (DT-5C), may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washing-

ton, DC 20402. The bulletins containing specifications for materials and equipment (50-15 to 50-99) may be obtained from the Rural Utilities Service, Administrative Services Division, Room 0175-S, Washington, DC 20250. The terms "RUS form", "RUS standard form", "RUS specification", and "RUS bulletin" have the same meanings as the terms "REA form", "REA standard form", "REA specification", and "REA bulletin", respectively unless otherwise indicated.

The bulletins are available for inspection at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC. These materials are incorporated as they exist on the date of the approval and a notice of any change in these materials will be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

(b) List of Bulletins.

- Bulletin 50-1 (T-805-B), Electric Transmission Specifications and Drawings for 115 kV to 230 kV (10-88)
- Bulletin 50-2 (T-805-A), Electric Transmission Specifications and Drawings for 34.5 kV to 69 kV (2-73)
- Bulletin 50-3 (D-804), Specifications and Drawings for 12.5/7.2 kV Line Construction (4-83)
- Bulletin 50-4 (D-801), Specification and Drawings for 34.5/19.9 kV Distribution Line Construction (11-86)
- Bulletin 50-5 (D-803), Specifications and Drawings for 14.4/24.9 kV Line Construction (9-69)
- Bulletin 50-6 (D-806), Specifications and Drawings for Underground Electric Distribution (3-90)
- Bulletin 50-15 (DT-3), RUS Specifications for Pole Top Pins with 1½" Diameter Lead Thread (1-51)
- Bulletin 50-16 (DT-4), RUS Specifications for Angle Suspension Brackets (3-52)
- Bulletin 50-19 (DT-7), RUS Specifications for Clevis Bolts (8-53)
- Bulletin 50-23 (DT-18), RUS Specifications for 60" Wood Crossarm Braces (2-71)
- Bulletin 50-31 (D-3), RUS Specifications for Pole Top Pins with 1" Diameter Lead Threads (2-79)
- Bulletin 50-32 (D-4), RUS Specifications for Steel Crossarm Mounted Pins with 1" Diameter Lead Threads (10-50)
- Bulletin 50-33 (D-5), RUS Specifications for Single and Double Upset Spool Bolts (2-51)
- Bulletin 50-34 (D-6), RUS Specifications for Secondary Swinging Clevises (12-70)
- Bulletin 50-35 (D-7), RUS Specifications for Service Swinging Clevises (9-52)
- Bulletin 50-36 (D-8), RUS Specifications for